



**LAKE ONTARIO POST 313**  
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

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November 30, 2014

Dear Veterans and Friends,

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Veterans Day Ceremony on a beautiful day at Veterans Park. We had a wonderful ceremony and also got to see the improvements made to the veterans memorial, including the updated kiosk that contains more than 1,200 names of local veterans and the new landscaping around the memorial. This was all possible due to the efforts of Dottie Riordan, Lakewood Landscaping, the Town of Porter, and the Village of Youngstown.

A big thank you to DuWayne Brabec, Ralph Borelli, Lance Dickinson, Ed Jackson, John Roberts, John MacArthur, Chris Sembert, and Gary Zanardi for tearing down the old shed, raking leaves, and assisting with poppy donations on November 8 and 9. We were able to get the Post ready for the Veterans Day ceremony and collected \$620 in poppy donations. An extra thanks to Chris Sembert for bringing his trailer to haul away the old shed. We did not have time to inventory the memorabilia donated to the Post, so we will meet at 9:00 a.m. on January 10 to begin the inventory.

We would also like to thank the Lions Club for inviting us to their November dinner meeting on Veterans Day. We had a wonderful dinner and an outstanding presentation provided by Earl Schmidt of the Niagara County Veterans Service Agency

The Post Christmas Dinner will be held on Monday, December 8. That evening we will also be collecting toys to support the WNY Heroes Christmas Toy Drive to benefit children of local veterans. We are asking members and guests to bring a new unwrapped gift appropriate for children ages 12 and under.

**Upcoming Events:**

December 8 (Monday): Post 313 Christmas Dinner; Cocktails – 6:30 pm; Ham and Turkey Dinner – 7:00 pm. Cost is \$15.00 per person; please RSVP to Gary Zanardi by December 5 at 628-0440.

January 10 (Saturday), 9:00 a.m.: Memorabilia inventory at the Post.

January 12 (Monday), 7:00 p.m.: Regular Post meeting to discuss activities for 2014.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Lance Dickinson  
Adjutant

